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AGREEMENT

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1. IN PREPARATION FOR AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH  
DEPY PM PATAN ON SEPTEMBER 27 WE HAVE HELD TWO WORKING  
LEVEL TALKS (STANCA, FOTA, VASILE) ON OUTSTANDING  
SUBSTANTIVE AS WELL AS TEXTUAL CONFORMITY QUESTIONS  
(LATTER COVERED SEPTTEL). SESSIONS ON TUESDAY AND  
THURSDAY HAVE YIELDED: (1) SOME HINT OF ROMANIAN  
LEEWAY ON ART I (3); (2) UNSKAREABLE ROMANIAN  
COCKSURENESS THAT, DESPITE OUR DOGGED ASSERTION  
OF HAVING COME TO END OF LINE ON ART II (3), WE COULD  
FIND SOME MORE POSITIVE FORMULATION; AND (3) PREDICT-  
ABLE ROMANIAN REJOINDER ON ANNEX 1 (C) FAVORING  
RETENTION OF REDUNDANT QUALIFIER CONCERNING LAWS  
AND REGULATIONS.

2. ARTICLE I (3) WE PRESENTED BOTH COUNTER-PROPOSALS  
ON ARTICLE I (3) SIMULTANEOUSLY ON TUESDAY, CHASTISING  
ROMANIANS FOR SEEKING TO REINSERT MFN LANGUAGE AFTER  
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AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED IN PRINCIPLE WITH PATAN TO

DROP THAT LANGUAGE. WE EXPLAINED THAT BOTH FORMULATIONS RESOLVED QUITE WELL FOTA'S CONCERN ABOUT GOODS NOT PRESENTLY PRODUCED IN ROMANIA. ON THURSDAY ROMANIANS RESPONDED THAT THEY WERE INCLINED TO PREFER NEW FORMULATION (FOR REASONS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR), BUT THEY PROPOSED THAT SECOND SENTENCE BE DROPPED.

3. ARTICLE II (3) BETTER PART OF HOUR DEVOTED TUESDAY IN VAIN EFFORT TO CONVINCE STANCA AND FOTA THAT WE HAD COME TO END OF ROAD ON EXPORT CONTROL AND THAT CURRENT FORMULA (OPTION 1) WAS AS MUCH OF CONCESSION AS WE COULD AND WERE PREPARED TO GRANT. STANCA ARGUED SPECIOUSLY THAT ROMANIAN PROPOSAL TO INSERT PHRASE "AND SHALL GRANT" ESSENTIALLY CHANGED NOTHING SINCE IT WAS CLEARLY IN CONTEXT OF PROCEDURES, LAWS, REGULATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERTAKINGS WHICH GAVE US AMPLE PROTECTION. WE RESPONDED THAT, EVEN WERE WE PREPARED TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE ON DISPOSITION OF LICENSE APPLICATIONS, WHICH WE WERE NOT RPT NOT, PHRASE WOULD HAVE TO SAY ESSENTIALLY "AND SHALL GRANT OR REFUSE." RETURNING TO TOPIC ON THURSDAY, WE TRADED SAME ARGUMENTS. FOTA INDICATED THERE WAS SOME DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN STANCA AND HIMSELF ABOUT PRESENTATION TO PATAN OF PROPOSAL IN WHICH "AND SHALL RESOLVE IN A POSITIVE SPIRIT" WOULD BE SUBSTITUTED FOR "AND SHALL GRANT." WE SOUGHT TO SQUELCH THIS INITIATIVE INDICATING THAT PHRASES WERE EQUALLY UNACCEPTABLE. TO DRIVE HOME LIMITS OF OUR INFLEXIBILITY WE PRESENTED OPTION 2, OBSERVING THAT MEANING WAS FUNDAMENTALLY THE SAME IN THAT WE WILL NOT PREJUDGE CHARACTER OF OUR DECISION.

4. ANNEX I (1C) STANCA INDICATED PREPAREDNESS TO CONSIDER OUR PROPOSAL BUT WITH RETENTION OF TAG-END QUALIFIER "IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS IN FORCE IN TWO COUNTRIES." WE INDICATED WE RECOGNIZED THAT THIS WAS AREA OF SOME ROMANIAN SENSITIVITY AND WOULD THEREFORE REFER ROMANIAN REQUEST TO WASHINGTON.

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5. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED. WE ARE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF IMAGINATIVE, THOUGHTFUL DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE AND OF FLEXIBILITY SHOWN ON EXPORT CONTROL. BELIEVING THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO DISPOSE OF ART I (3) AND ANNEX I (1C) AT AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH PATAN ON MONDAY AND COUNTING ON SPLENDID SUPPORT DEPT HAS GIVEN US THROUGHOUT NEGOTIATING PROCESS, WE ASK THAT DEPT SEND US RESPONSE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE TO

REACH US MONDAY MORNING ON TWO POINTS. SPECIFICALLY,  
WE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO DROP SECOND SENTENCE  
OF NEW FORMULATION ON ARTICLE I (3), I.E. "SUCH  
TREATMENT SHALL . . . PRODUCED THERE." WE DO NOT  
SEE THAT THIS OMISSION POSES ANY PROBLEM; ON CONTRARY,  
IT SEEMS TO OFFER ROMANIANS LESS. SECONDLY, WE  
REQUEST DEPARTMENT APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ADDITION  
OF ROMANIAN QUALIFYING LANGUAGE ON ANNEX I (1C).  
WHILE WE ARE IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT THAT LANGUAGE IS  
REDUNDANT, WE BELIEVE WE CAN AFFORD IT IN INTEREST  
OF INCLUSION OF PRECEDENT-SETTING LANGUAGE ON  
HIRING AND COMPENSATION. DEPENDING ON APPROACH PATAN  
TAKES, WE MAY HOLD OUR ACCEPTANCE OF ROMANIAN  
QUALIFIER IN RESERVE.  
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